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A. <u>Amendment Transmittal</u>

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application. No additional claim fee is required, as shown below.

COMPUTATION OF FEE FOR CLAIMS AS AMENDED

	Claims		Highest						
	Remaining		Number						
	After		Previously		Present				Additional
	Amendment		Paid For		Extra		Rate		Fee
Total Claims	38	-	38	=	0	X	18	=	0
Independent Claims	4	-	4	=	0	X	86	=	0
	TOTAL								\$0

B. Transmitted herewith is an Inventors' Declaration Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.131 with Exhibit A (article dated Sept. 9th, 1997)

C. Additional Fee Charges or Credit for Overpayment

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17 and 1.18 which may be required during the entire pendency of the application, or credit any overpayment, to **Deposit Account No. 50-0463**. This authorization also hereby includes a request for any extensions of time of the appropriate length required upon the filing of any reply during the entire prosecution of this application. A copy of this document is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the FINAL Office Action mailed August 13, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this amendment.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 5 of this amendment.

Remarks begin on page 12 of this amendment.

Appendix A begins on page 21 of this amendment and contains a Declaration under 37 C.F.R. § 1.131 from an inventor and an Exhibit A.